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Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 4, line 12, with the following rewritten paragraph:

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In one embodiment, the plurality of records are sorted by a first dividing attribute corresponding to horizontal axis, and partitioned into groups according to the first dividing attribute. In one embodiment, the plurality of records are then sorted by a second dividing attribute corresponding to vertical axis, and partitioned into sub-groups according to the second dividing attribute. The records of each of each-sub-group are then sorted according to a first ordering attribute and a second ordering attribute. A visual indicator (e.g., a color) is then applied to each record according to a visual indicator attribute.